

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the **COUNCIL** held at Ludlow Methodist Church, Broad Street, Ludlow, on **TUESDAY 29TH JUNE 2021** at **7.00 PM**.

FC/063 PRESENT

Chairman: Councillor Pote

Councillors: Adams; Garner; Gill; Ginger; Jones; Lyle; O'Neill; Parry; and

Tapley.

Officers: Gina Wilding, Town Clerk

Kate Adams, Deputy Town Clerk

FC/064 HEALTH AND SAFETY

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the Full Council meeting, and requested that in the event of a fire alarm, everyone was to leave in an orderly fashion by the main exit at the front of the building. In the unlikely event that this route is blocked, to leave through the rear fire exit, and through the side entrance. For the public upstairs, fire exits could be found at the front and at the back. The assembly point is outside on the pavement away from the front of the building.

FC/065 RECORDING OF MEETINGS

The Mayor notified those present that under the Openness of Local Government Regulations 2014, recording and broadcasting is permitted during public session of Council Meetings. The act of recording and broadcasting must not interfere with the meeting.

The Council understands that some members of the public may not wish to be recorded and asked that they make this known at this point in the meeting.

FC/066 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Boddington and Perks.

FC/067 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None declared.

Conflicts of Interest

Member Item Reason

Cllr Parry Chair – Ludlow in Bloom

Personal Interests

<u>Member</u>	<u>ltem</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Cllr Adams	9e	Knows one of the candidates
Cllr Garner	9e	Knows two of the candidates
Cllr Ginger	9e	Knows two of the candidates
Cllr Jones	9e	Knows two of the candidates
Cllr Lyle	9e	Knows at least one of the candidates
Cllr O'Neill	9e	Knowns one of the candidates
Cllr Pote	9e	Knows two of the candidates
Cllr Parry	9e	Knows three of the candidates
Cllr Gill	9e	Knows one of the candidates

FC/068 PUBLIC OPEN SESSION (15 minutes)

There was one member of the public present.

Leigh Durnall, resident of Ludlow, pointed out to members of the Council that the co-option process is very challenging and said that she hoped Councillors would vote with impartiality.

FC/069 UNITARY COUNCILLORS SESSION

Cllr Viv Parry, Ludlow South – was present, but had no update for this meeting.

FC/070 MINUTES – FULL COUNCIL 16th JUNE 2021

RESOLVED (unanimous) RP/TG

To approve the minutes of Full Council held on Wednesday 16th June 2021 as a correct record.

FC/071 <u>ITEMS TO ACTION – 16th JUNE 2021</u>

RESOLVED (unanimous) RP/TG

That the Items to Action be noted.

FC/072 CO-OPTIONS

RESOLVED (9:0:1) RP/PA

To note that one candidate who stood for co-option on 16th June 2021 is ineligible under section 80 (1)(d) of the Local Government Act 1972.

FC/073 RESOLVED (unanimous) RP/GG

To proceed under the legal advice that the previous co-option process was flawed because of the ineligible candidate, and should be gone through again.

FC/074 RESOLVED (unanimous) RP/GG

To adopt the Covid-19 Secure co-option process.

FC/075 RESOLVED (9:0:1) RP/TG

To note the completed application forms.

FC/076 RESOLVED (unanimous) RP/TG

To follow the Covid-19 Secure co-option process for the three vacancies.

FC/077 CO-OPTIONS FOR THE THREE VACANCIES

The candidates, namely Dr D Crampton-Thompson, Mr J Durnall, Mr J Smithers and Mrs B Waite, were present. No repeat of the presentations given on 16th June 2021 necessary.

CLEE VIEW WARD - VACANCY 1

The candidates to be include for Clee View vacancies 1 & 2 were named as:

Dr D Crampton-Thompson, Mr J Durnall, Mr J Smithers and Mrs B Waite

Clee View 1 – Round 1	No of Votes
Dr D Crampton-Thompson	Six
Mr J Durnall	One
Mr J Smithers	Zero
Mrs B Waite	Three

Mr Smithers had the lowest amount of votes and was excluded from round two.

Clee View 1 – Round 2	No of Votes
Dr D Crampton-Thompson	Five
Mr J Durnall	One
Mrs B Waite	Four

With the lowest amount of votes Mr Durnall was excluded from round three.

Clee View 1 – Round 3	No of Votes
Dr D Crampton-Thompson	Five (casting vote)
Mrs B Waite	Five

The Mayor used his casting vote and Dr D Crampton-Thompson was co-opted as the Councillor for Clee View Ward Vacancy 1.

CLEE VIEW WARD - VACANCY 2

Clee View 2 – Round 1	No of Votes
Mr J Durnall	Two
Mr J Smithers	Two
Mrs B Waite	Six

Mrs B Waite was co-opted as the Councillor for Clee View ward Vacancy 2.

HAYTON WARD

The remaining two candidates confirmed they wished to stand for Hayton Ward.

Hayton – Round 1	No of Votes
Mr J Durnall	Six
Mr J Smithers	Four

Mr J Durnall was co-opted as Councillor for Hayton Ward.

The Mayor thanked all the candidates for standing for co-option and congratulated the new Councillors to office.

FC/078 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The three co-opted Councillors signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office which was witnessed and countersigned by the Town Clerk.

FC/079 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

RESOLVED (unanimous) RP/TG

That Standing Orders be suspended to reconsider Committee Membership.

FC/080 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP FOR THE NEW CO-OPTED COUNCILLORS

The Mayor invited the newly co-opted Councillors to become members of established Committees.

RESOLVED (unanimous) RP/TG

That the newly co-opted Councillors become Members of the following Committees:-

Representational Committee – Cllrs Crampton-Thompson and Waite Services Committee – Cllrs Durnall and Waite Staffing Committee – Cllr Waite

FC/081 RE-INSTATE STANDING ORDERS RESOLVED (unanimous) RP/GG

That Standing	Orders be	re-instated.
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The meeting closed at 7:23 pm.	
Town Mayor	Date

NB Closed session minutes will NOT be issued.